

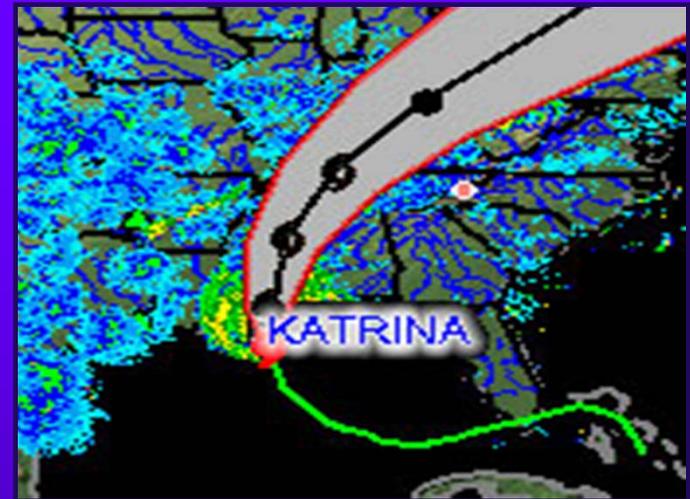
# Katrina: Hurricane Safety & Other Natural Disasters

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# 1. Recommend useful weblinks:

## ◆ Here are three examples:

- **Naval Safety Center Natural Disaster Resources:**
  - [Disaster Recovery Safety Resources](#)
- **Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA):**
  - <http://www.noaa.gov>
- **U.S. Department of Labor Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA)  
Emergency Preparedness and Response:**
  - <http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/emergencypreparedness/index.html>

## **2. Share action your organization has taken:**

- ◆ **We live and work in Florida. We have been working on and updating our disaster plan continually during the two years since my arrival at the Southeast Regional Maintenance Center (SERMC).**
- ◆ **Who in your organization led this action?**
  - **David Phillips, Executive Director SERMC**
- ◆ **Provide a safety message**
  - **Preplanning is the key. We stress getting ready by stockpiling food, water and the basic essentials.**

### **3. If you could change one thing following Hurricane Katrina, what would you like to see changed & why?**

- ◆ **Government response and early intervention speed of which is based on disaster intensity. A very valuable lesson learned is to have a primary and alternate outside communication center established and reporting requirements for employees.**  
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## COPY OF SERMC E-MAIL SENT TO OUR EMPLOYEES:

Ladies and Gentlemen,

One of the Lessons Learned for Katrina was that each command needs to have an out of area contact point to allow their personnel to give current location, contact phone numbers, status of their dependents...etc

We as a command need to have a way to regain contact with all of you following a natural disaster. This will allow us to help you and ensure you get what you need to get through a very tough time.

Our remote contact location is at MARMC in Norfolk and the toll free number is 1-877-387-3526 option "0".

If we ever have to evacuate the Mayport area and you have to call, please provide the following:

- 1) Your current Location and Phone Number
- 2) Your physical condition
- 3) Location of your dependents
- 4) Your dependent's physical condition
- 5) Status of your Apartment/House and Cars
- 6) Any urgent needs that you have

Please file this with your emergency kit and hope that we never have to exercise this.

The other issue to discuss is how do you find out if you do not have to come to work at SERMC, ie the base is closed...etc

You should call our Hurricane Hotline at 1-866-566-0531. There will be a voice message that will tell you if you do not have come in or any other specific direction.

Please direct any questions on this information to your Chain of Command. Thank you, CDR Martin

